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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: NEW PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS

1. DURING MY MEETING MARCH 1 WITH THE FONMIN, I MENTIONED THAT I HAD BEEN WITH PRESIDENT MOLINA AT ECOLOGY COMMITTEE PRESENTATIONS THE PREVIOUS EVENING BUT HAD NOT HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO ASK HIM ABOUT HIS NEW APPOINTMENTS AND DID HE HAVE ANY OBSERVATIONS. THE FONMIN SAID THAT HE THOUGHT THE APPOINTMENTS WERE VERY POSITIVE. THE NEW MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE, COL. AND DR. ESCOBAR GARCIA, HAD BEEN THE SUB-SECT OF AGRICULTURE AND HE HAD BEEN ACTUALLY RUNNING THE MINISTRY SINCE MINISTER CASTILLO HAD REALLY ONLY BEEN A FIGUREHEAD DURING HIS YEAR AS MINISTER. HE CHARACTERIZED THE NEW PRESIDENT OF THE INSTITUTO SALVADORENO DE FOMENTO INDUSTRIAL (INSAFI) COL. VIDES CASANOVA AS A GOOD, SOLID YOUNG OFFICER WITH SOME ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE. THE FONMIN SAID BOTH MINISTERS WOULD NEED ABLE ASSISTANTS. THE MINISTER DID NOT COMMENT ON LIC. ROEDER WHO HAD BEEN "SENT" TO SPAIN AS MILITARY ATTACHE. MINISTER CASTILLO RETIRED TO HIS FARM.

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